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Choose, Cut Method Used At Christmas Tree Farms

By
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Virginia Department of Agriculture and Commerce

It's not too early to consider where you'll find this year's gloriously beautiful Christmas Tree. Christmas Trees come in all sizes and shapes and in many varieties. This year Virginia is lucky enough to have a Choose and Cut Your Own Christmas Tree program to help in making decisions.

So, pick the date and get ready for a day of exciting family fun. A trip to a Christmas tree plantation or farm, maybe in the snow, will be a memorable one packed to the brim with holiday spirit. It's bound to be the prettiest tree ever because you chose and cut it or had it cut right before your eyes. Because it is so fresh, it will fill the house with unmatched fragrance, and it'll hold the needles until the last festive day is over. Needles just don't drop when the tree is fresh and full of water. They are far safer, too.

After arriving home with the prized tree, cut an inch off the main stem, place in a clean pail of warm water and put in a cool, shaded area protected from wind and sun, if possible. Cut another inch off the main stem before you bring it into the house and place it in a stand designed to hold water or in a pail of clean sand to which water can be added. Then dress the tree in all of its holiday finery and spirit.

Planting The Tree

Now, if there are qualms about cutting trees, many of the Christmas tree plantations or farms have provided for those feelings, too. There are provisions for digging and balling of your favorite tree. Later, place the Christmas tree in a favorite spot in the yard and memories can literally live on.

Some of the Christmas tree plantations or farms provide other services. Some have Christmas shops with fine handmade or imported ornaments and still others can provide all your greenery needs with wreaths, garlands and natural decorating materials.

For your special listing of Virginia Choose and Cut Your Own Christmas Tree participants address your request to "Christmas Trees," Virginia Department of Agriculture and Commerce, P.O. Box 1163, Richmond, Virginia 23209.

Be sure to call before making the trip to the Christmas tree farm. You'll need to know whether they have the variety of tree that you'd like, and your equipment needs.

This year the program is an extensive one with growers participating from Northern Virginia, Southwest Virginia, Virginia Beach area, Richmond area, Charlottesville and Valley area and Virginia's Western section of the State.

OAKVILLE

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Smith Thanksgiving Day were Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Smith, Jr., and Mrs. Mildred Crigler, Beach, Va. Mr. Ralph Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Smith and boys, Wayne and Douglas, of Richmond; Mr. and Mrs. Joel W. Smith and son, Joel; and also Dean Stinson, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Moore, Jr. and boys, Barry and Richard; Mr. and Mrs. William Clark and son, Garry, of Lynchburg; Miss Vicky Rogers and Mr. Dave Lorenson of Washington Bible College, Md., Mrs. Emmett Day, Mrs. Claudie Moore, Mrs. William Davis and son, Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Booth and son, Terry, Mrs. Mollie Rogers and Mr. James Rogers, of Appomattox.

Sunday dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Smith were Dave Lorenson, Miss Vicky Rogers and Mrs. Mollie Rogers.

Thanksgiving night dinner guests of Mrs. Melvin Drinkard were Mr. and Mrs. Giles Slade and Suzanne, Mrs. Mildred Crigler of Lynchburg, and Sara Raddeacia of Villa Maria; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Drinkard, Mark, Scott and Jeff, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Irby and David and Mrs. M. H. Hunter of Oakville, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Drinkard, Beth and Lee called later.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilkerson, Mr. Riley Megginson and Mrs. Marshall Martin were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Page on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Megginson, Jr., Penny, Pam and Paula, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Kerns, Tommy and Dicki, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Page, Mrs. Marshall Martin were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Megginson Thanksgiving Day.

YOU CAN DO-IT-YOURSELF—if you have the tools and use them right.

The Oakville HD Club had a family Christmas dinner Saturday night with a large attendance at Oakville School. Dinner was served buffet style and enjoyed by all. After dinner the business meeting was held and then a time of fun. Jingle Bells was sung and then different ones took part in saying "The Night Before Christmas" and telling of the first Christmas they remembered. Mrs. Williamson told of Christmas at Old Red Oak with Mr. Jim Harvey playing Santa Claus and she was a fairy who waved her wand to turn the "empty" boxes into boxes full of candy. A good time was enjoyed by all.

YOUR LIFE INSURANCE

Q. If my life insurance policy gets stolen, can the thief cash it in?

A. No, he can't. An insurance policy has absolutely no value to anyone except you. And it's also replaceable by your insurance company.

To reduce the risk of losing your policy again, here's some good advice.

- Keep all your policies in a safe place.
- Keep a separate record of each policy.
- Let the beneficiaries know where these policies and records are kept.

A good point to remember is that if you store your insurance policies in a safe deposit box, your beneficiaries would probably have to get permission from the tax authorities to open the box and this could delay the payment of insurance.

The Pastor Speaks

The Kingdom Unlimited
The Kingdom of God Is Within You - - - Luke 17:21

The kingdoms of nations were well understood. Many wished Christ would establish a kingdom. He discouraged this thinking. His purpose was to redirect their thinking. He said, "My kingdom is not of this world." He also said, "The kingdom of God cometh not with observation." His kingdom was and is of the Spirit. The motivating power of it was not to be seen in a parade of soldiers and armory.

He gave an explanation of His kingdom by revealing its place. To the astonishment of many he said, "The kingdom of God is within you." Mankind has always wanted to make a big show of Institutions, Buildings, raining and Organizations. These have a place, a very wonderful place. However, if we want to locate the Kingdom of God we will have to look elsewhere.

We do not understand Christ until we accept His teaching concerning ourselves. He for one thing, made it clear that every person has a claim upon his love. The ninety and nine were not enough. He suffered to bring in the lost one.

There is something kindred to God in every person, but this must be developed. It appears that Christ was talking to Pharisees when he spoke of his kingdom. His constant effort was to bring the indifferent to his spiritual atmosphere with the hope of gaining their love for God and his purpose. He was really addressing Himself to the soul which is a unit of God and immortal. Through Christ life can be beautiful and reflect the answer Christ wanted, Christ within you. May we ever be conscious of this sacred relationship.

Floyd M. Lucas
The United Methodist Church

"And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, Jesus went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed." Mark 1:35.

Jesus Himself, while He dwelt among men, was often in prayer. Our Savior identified Himself with our needs and weakness, in that He became a petitioner, seeking from His Father fresh supplies of strength, that He might come forth braced for duty and trial. He is our example in all things. He is a brother in our infirmities, "in all points tempted like as we are;" but as the sinless one His nature recoiled from evil; He endured struggles and torture of soul in a world of sin. His humanity made prayer a necessity and a privilege. He found comfort and joy in communion with His Father. And if the Savior of men, the Son of God, felt the need of prayer, how much more should we feeble, sinful mortals feel the necessity of fervent constant prayer.

Prayer is simply the opening of the heart to God as to a friend. Not that it is necessary, in order to make known to God what we are, but in order to enable us to receive Him. prayer does not bring God down to us, but brings us up to Him.

We should pray in the family circle and we may be called upon to pray in public, but above all do not neglect secret prayer; for this is the life of the soul. It is impossible for the soul to flourish while prayer is neglected. Pray in your closet, or any private place where no curious ear can hear; and as you go about your daily labor, let your heart be often lifted up to God. These silent prayers rise like precious incense before the throne of grace. Satan cannot overcome him whose heart is thus stayed upon God.

Hans Varmer, Pastor
Appomattox Seventh-Day Adventist Church

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

WHEN WE WONDER "WHY?"

Lesson for December 4, 1977

Background Scripture:
Job 1 through 3;
12 through 13
Devotional Reading:
Psalms 143

Although the story of Job may find its origins in the times of the patriarchs, it is likely that the Book of Job, as we now know it, was written in the 7th century B.C., approximately 2,300 years ago. It is ironic that the concept

Rev. Althouse

the writer was attempting to destroy is one that is still so prevalent today. In 2,300 years we have not succeeded in putting that concept to rest.

Blameless and upright

The writer of the Book of Job was primarily concerned with attacking a popular belief which he was convinced to be quite erroneous. It was the belief that, if a person suffered in any way, it was a punishment from God. Correspondingly, if a man prospered, it was assumed that his prosperity was a reward for righteousness. In the story of Job his three friends seem to assume without question that Job's suffering must be the result of some iniquity on his part.

The writer of Job was intent in demonstrating that concept as quite false. There must be some better answer for human suffering than God's punishment.

The writer of Job makes this abundantly clear in Job 1. In the very beginning of the story he is described as a man who "was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil" (1:1). The writer describes him as a very prosperous man, even calling him "the greatest of all the people of the east" (1:3). When God speaks with Satan about Job, his description is glowing: "...there is none like him on the earth" (1:8). When, in Job 2, we see this prosperous and happy man in the midst of abject suffering, we cannot claim that it is God's punishment for Job's sin.

Curse God and die

Nor can his tragedy be ascribed to his response to his troubles. Satan is confident that, although Job's faith in God remains constant in the face of his tragedies, if his health is taken from him he will finally turn against God. So, Satan orders terrible physical ordeals for Job to make him abandon God.

Although Job is subjected to cynicism by his friends, it was the words of his wife that must have wounded him most deeply of all: "Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God, and die" (2:9).

Yet, despite these extreme provocations, we are told: "In all this Job did not sin with his lips" (2:10). So the writer has illustrated forcefully that Job's suffering must have some other answer than sin and punishment. But few learned what the writer was trying to say and seven centuries later Jesus' disciples would look at a blind man and ask: "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" (John 9:2). And today, thousands of years later we are still wondering "why?" and settling on the wrong answer.

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A. A. MEETING
TUESDAYS, 8:00 P.M.
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Creative Homemaking

BATHROOM ETIQUETTE

Ring around the bathtub! At the end of a trying day, the last thing tired moms look forward to is cleaning up the bathroom!

To help make this chore quick and easy, teach your children bathroom etiquette. Here are some suggestions:

- After a hard day at play, most children march into the bathroom and transfer the dirt and grime onto a clean bar of soap. Teach your children to rinse the soap and the basin to avoid leaving any muddy traces of their wash up routine.
- Towels are usually found everywhere, except where they belong: on the towel rack. Avoid having to constantly pick them up by hanging individual towel rings

and assigning each child his own hand-towel.
- To clean, disinfect and deodorize the entire bathroom all at the same time, spray washable surfaces with Fantastik® bathroom cleaner and wipe with a clean cloth or a damp sponge. It kills staph, strep and other household germs and also helps prevent mold and mildew growth for up to two weeks.
- If your youngsters leave globs of toothpaste around the sink area, buy an inexpensive toothpaste tube roller to help cut down on waste. Splatters covering the mirror can be minimized by reminding them to brush properly.

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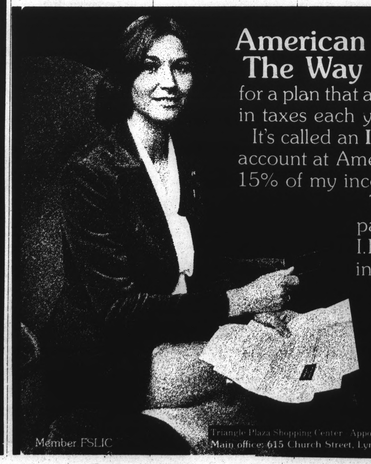

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COMPLETES BASIC TRAINING

Private Ralph C. Acker, a 1977 graduate of Appomattox County High School, graduated from basic training September 1, 1977 at Fort Dix, New Jersey and has completed an automotive repairman's course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland and is now on leave. He is to be stationed in Germany.

Pvt. Acker is the son of Fred and Stella Acker of Appomattox.

HOLLYWOOD

Mrs. J. L. Torrence, Sr. spent last week in Richmond with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hancock and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Torrence, Jr.

Mr. Calvin Smith called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman Wednesday evening.

Miss Cynthia Jenkins and Mr. Tim Carter of Lynchburg were visitors Sunday afternoon of Mr. H. W. Jenkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Webb and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Webb and son, John Jr., were Thanksgiving guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Webb and Mr. Walker Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb, Miss Joyce Webb and Miss Odell Webb were dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Woodson of Lynchburg Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. James Woodall visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson, Sr. spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their son, Mr. L. H. Watson, Jr. and family of Alexandra.

We were very sorry to hear of the deaths last week of Mrs. Walter Jordan and Mr. Jake Woodson. Our deepest sympathy is extended each of their loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Prosese and son of Richmond spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Franklin and family.

Mrs. Kenneth Deaner, Delorious Ann, Kenneth Stuart and Dawn Deaner visited Mrs. Ioun Mayberry, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Mayberry and Mrs. Lucy Deaner of Newport News during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and Miss Julia Wingfield were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Inge Friday night.

Mrs. M. L. Covington was a dinner guest of Mrs. Mary Bagby and Mr. Frank Covington, Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa spent Thanksgiving week end in Covington with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Coffey and family.

Mrs. Bill Watson was hostess to a surprise birthday for her sister Miss Julia Wingfield Sunday night. Other guest were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield, Mr. Frank Covington, Mr. Thomas Woodall and Lisa, Mr. Bill Watson, William and April Watson.

We are very sorry to hear Mr. Gus Torrence is a patient in the Lynchburg General Hospital. We pray he may soon be well.

Visitors Sunday afternoon of Mrs. Mary Bagby and Mr. Frank Covington were Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson, Sr., Mr. Alfred Almond and Mr. and Mrs. James Woodall. Among others calling in this home during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Andy Davis, Mrs. Raymond Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield, Miss Julia Wingfield, Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Geasley Jr. visited his mother, Mrs. Grover Beasley, Sr. Sunday night at the Martin-Wooldridge Nursing Home.

Farm Bureau News

Two new events have been added to the schedule of the 1977 annual meeting of the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation at the John Marshall Hotel in Richmond. Both are on Wed., Nov. 30.

8:30 a.m. Wednesday - Governor-Elect John N. Dalton will address the convention. It will be Dalton's first public appearance in Virginia since the election. His staff says the Governor-elect's prepared remarks will run 10 to 15 minutes. Copies will be available in the Farm Bureau press room (Monroe Room) at the Hotel.

1:00 p.m. Wednesday VFBF President Robert B. Delano will hold a full news conference and be prepared to discuss major issues expected to arise during the convention, including the Farm Bureau stand on parimutual betting and Farm Bureau reaction to a call for a national farmer's strike. This will be in the Lee Room of the Hotel.

Scouts Tour Fire House

Cub Scouts Wayne Martin, Leon Watkins, Donald Martin, Michael Hansen, and Mike Hamlett, members of Pack 546, Den 2, visited the Appomattox Volunteer Fire Department on Tuesday, Nov. 22 and were given a tour of the facilities by Vic Reynolds and Freddy Godsey.

The firemen explained how they work to put out fires and more importantly how to prevent them. A question and a swer period was held. Each scout was given a calendar.

Leader for Den 2 is Hazel Mayberry and her assistant is Brenda Thompson. Also assisting on the tour of the fire department were Judy Garrett and Marie Hamlett.

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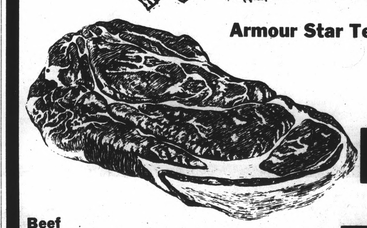

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